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| For: NOVEL THIAZOLIDIN-4-ONE DERIVATIVES | New York, NY August 8, 2007 |

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

MS Amendment

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed July 9, 2007 (Paper No. 0607), in which the Examiner has required restriction between Groups I through VI, Applicants hereby elect, without traverse, Group II (claims 1, 2, 11, 12, 18-35, 40, 45, and 46 in part) drawn to products of formula I wherein R3 is -O-CR7R8-CR9R10-(CR11R12)n-O-R13, for continued examination.

Consideration of the present application in view of the above election is respectfully requested.

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Respectfully submitted,

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